

AGED BARNETT TUCKER VERY SERIOUSLY INJURED BY A HOE IN HANDS OF HARRY WHITNEY

—IS STORY

Upper Jaw Bone Is Caved In; Lower Broken While Severed Artery Causes Attending Physician To Summon Assistance

WHITNEY HASTENS TO MT. VERNON; RETAINS GREER & CROMLEY AS ATTYS.

Whitney Wrested Hoe From Tucker In Self-Defense, Neighbors Say, And Struck At Third Man, Who Wielded Knife, Missing Him

Millwood, Feb. 27.—With his upper jaw caved in, his lower jaw broken and an artery in his face severed, Barnett Tucker, over 80 years of age, lies at his home between here and Danville in an extremely critical condition, the result of a blow from a hoe, said to have been inflicted about 9 o'clock this morning by Harry C. Whitney who has gone to Mt. Vernon to surrender himself to Sheriff Mossholder.

Tucker and Whitney are neighbors. There has been a feud between the two families for six years growing over a stream of water which runs between their land.

The quarrel came to a dramatic climax this morning. According to neighbors, Whitney visited the Tucker place and Barnett Tucker, with a hoe in his hands, threatened to strike him. Whitney wrested the implement from the aged man and Grant Watson, a son-in-law of Tucker who was near by, pulled a knife on Whitney. Wielding the hoe in self-defense, Whitney struck at Watson, the story goes, missing him but knocking Tucker to the ground. The old man was able to arise and walk into the house unassisted.

Dr. C. L. Harmer of Danville was called and made an examination of the injured man. He saw instantly that his condition was critical and, after temporarily binding the severed artery, called for assistance in the case. He telephoned Sheriff Mossholder, apprising him of the serious condition of Tucker.

In addition to the broken bones and severed artery, Tucker's face is a mass of bruises. His old age is against him and his recovery is considered a matter of serious doubt.

PARTIES ENGAGED IN LEGAL COMBAT

Growing from a mere neighborly difference, the dispute between Tucker and Whitney over the stream flowing between their lands finally became so bitter that it was taken into court.

An examination of the records in the office of Clerk of Courts O. Guy Taylor shows that on March 4, 1911, Barnett Tucker brought an action against Harry C. Whitney in which he sought an injunction restraining defendant from allowing water to flow over his lands. The injunction was granted temporarily, but was later dissolved. The case was taken to the old circuit court where it was heard in July, 1915. The action of the common pleas court was affirmed there.

In April, 1916, an affidavit was made, citing Whitney for contempt, it being the allegation that he had failed to comply with the orders of court. He was ordered to appear. This latter was settled.

HUMBERT CALLED IN CONSULTATION

Dr. B. F. Humbert of this city was called in consultation by Dr. C. L. Harmer. Before his arrival, Dr. Harmer had bound up the severed artery. The physicians decided that Tucker's condition is very serious. Neither can state what the outcome will be. The shock to the aged man was considered one of the most harmful features. Tuesday afternoon, Tucker was still able to talk, but complained greatly. He did not inform the physicians what action he purposes to take against Whitney.

WHITNEY COMES HERE; RETAINS ATTORNEYS

Harry C. Whitney arrived in Mt. Vernon about 12:45 p. m. Tuesday. He drove through from Millwood in a buggy. He went to the office of Greer & Cromley and retained this firm. Mr. Greer stated to The Banner that his client had no public statement to make concerning the affair. When asked what would be done, Mr. Greer replied that nothing could be done until an affidavit was made, charging Whitney with something. It is expected that Whitney will be arraigned before a justice of the peace

on a charge of assault. On the condition of Barnett Tucker hang possible future charges.

CONDITION OF TUCKER GRAVE; SUFFERS MUCH

Son-In-Law Says Whitney Will Be Prosecuted

Grant Watson Calls Story Lie That He Carried Knife, Maintaining That He Had No Weapon Of Defense; Cites Another Assault

Millwood, Feb. 28.—The condition of aged Barnett Tucker, said to have been struck with a hoe yesterday morning by Harry C. Whitney, increases in seriousness. He relapsed slightly over night and was hardly able to talk this morning.

His face is a mass of broken bones and has been bandaged all over. The severed artery, repaired by physicians, is knitting well, it is said.

Mr. and Mrs. Grant Watson have gone to the Tucker place to stay with the aged man until he recovers, if such is possible. They are very pessimistic over his condition.

Mr. Watson, who is said to have been implicated in the affair which led to Mr. Tucker's injuries, stated today that charges will be preferred against Whitney, but he knows not when. He is concerned at present over Tucker's state and will take no step towards prosecution of Whitney until later.

Mr. Watson denies absolutely that he carried a knife or that he struck at Whitney, as was reported. "Why, I didn't even have a weapon to protect myself," he said this morning. He declares that he was at the house at the time an altercation occurred between his father-in-law, Mr. Tucker, and Whitney. Hearing angry voices he says that he ran to the two in time to see Whitney knock his father-in-law to the ground with a grubbing hoe. Whitney then swung at him, he claims.

Mr. Watson further says that last June, Whitney knocked down Tucker and his two daughters, Mrs. Grant Watson and Miss Hallie Tucker. He denies that either he or his father-in-law ever trespassed on Whitney's land, which accusation is said to have been made Tuesday by Whitney and which resulted in the alleged assault.

Mr. Tucker is 86 years of age and feels the nervous shock of the assault very much.

GOES BACK HOME WITHOUT YIELDING

SELF TO SHERIFF
When Harry C. Whitney started from his home near Millwood Tuesday morning for Mt. Vernon, he had in mind to surrender himself to Sheriff Mossholder, according to word sent to the latter. After consultation with his attorneys, Greer & Cromley, Whitney evidently decided not to do this, as he returned back home Tuesday afternoon. No charge has been made against him as yet.

Mr. Whitney has also retained the services of Attorney Enoch B. Ferrelbaugh of Buckeye City.

LEVERING

Announces Dates For Inspection Of Blue Lodges

Work Of The Masonic Bodies In The Nineteenth District To Be Reviewed This Spring

Judge Frank O. Levering, Masonic lecturer for the 19th district, has completed his list of dates for the annual inspections of lodges. They are as follows:

Feb. 28, 1917, Mt. Zion, No. 9, Mt. Vernon; March 2, Bloomfield, No. 422, Centerburg; March 6, Farmers, No. 153, Fredonia; March 7, Licking, No. 291, Utica; March 20, Pataskala, No. 404, Pataskala; March 30, Coshocton, No. 96, Coshocton; April 3, Thrall, No. 170, Fredericktown; April 4, Acacia, No. 338, Hanover; April 5, Acacia, No. 464, Wilkins; April 6, Warsaw, No. 255, Warsaw; April 7, Jackson, No. 35, Brownsville; April 12, Plainfield, No. 234, Plainfield; April 16, West Lafayette, No. 602, West Lafayette; April 17, Hebron, No. 116, Hebron; April 18, Center, No. 326, Johnstown; April 19, Acme, No. 554, Newark; April 20, Newark, No. 97, Newark; April 24, Danville, No. 546, Danville; May 1, Wakatomica, No. 108, Wakatomica; May 3, Center Star, No. 11, Granville; May 5, Ohio, No. 199, Bladensburg.

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AMITY TO HAVE A NEW SCHOOL

\$8,000 Bond Issue Ordered At Special Election

BIG VOTE WAS CAST

Much Interest Displayed In The Proposition—New Structure, When Erected, Will Cost \$8,000—Vote Overwhelming

Amity, Feb. 27.—The special election of the Amity school district yesterday to vote on the issuance of \$8,000 in bonds for the construction of a new school building here, to supplant the one destroyed by fire a number of months ago, resulted as follows:

For—60.
Against—23.

There was a great deal of interest manifested in the election. Advocates of a new school-house had worked hard and systematically to down the opposition to it.

There are about 102 votes in the district. Eighty-three of these were out at yesterday's election, so it will be seen what a great interest was taken everywhere.

There were portions of four townships concerned in yesterday's election. It was this situation which, for a time, held up the setting of a date for the same. For instance, in one township, there were only several voters. The question was raised whether or not it would be necessary to have a separate vote in all four of the townships. The question was submitted to Prosecutor Belmont who, in turn, referred it to the attorney general's office in Columbus. It was ruled there that only a single election was necessary in one of the townships.

With the preliminary legislation cleared away, it is expected that headway will be rapid in securing bids and letting the contract for the construction of the new school building.

You Need A Spring Laxative

Dr. King's New Life Pills will remove the accumulated wastes of winter from your intestines, the burden of the blood. Get that sluggish spring fever feeling out of your system, brighten your eye, clear your complexion. Get that vim and snap of good clarified healthy blood. Dr. King's New Life Pills are a non-gripping laxative that aids nature's process, try them tonight. At all druggists, 25c.

Mr. and Mrs. George Buzzard and daughter departed for their home in Kechi, Kan., Tuesday after spending about a week with Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Bickel, of Gambier. Mr. and Mrs. Buzzard's little daughter was buried in Gambier last week.

GREER

Happenings From Far-Off Jefferson Township

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Heffelfinger and daughter, Clara, of Wauhatchie visited over Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Everett Almack.

William Giffin, wife and little daughter of Plymouth, Ind., arrived here Monday morning for a visit with his parents, Bernard Giffin and wife, west of town.

R. A. Greer and son, Blaine, spent last Thursday with Charles Greer and family at Wauhatchie.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Smith and little daughter of Akron, who were called here by the death of Mrs. Smith's mother, Mrs. J. M. Miller, left Tuesday morning for that city where they will spend a few days before going to their new home in Weston, W. Va.

Harry Farquhar, who is working in Coshocton, spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Farquhar, west of town.

Arthur Miller and wife, Lewis Kerr and wife and Jay Landers of Cleveland and Lewis Kennedy and family of Akron were called here by the death of Mrs. J. M. Miller.

Rev. H. W. Thompson, who has been at the bedside of his wife who is a patient at the Mt. Vernon hospital, spent Saturday and Sunday at his home here.

Master Herbert Thompson is spending several weeks with his aunt, Miss Grace Rose, at Seneca Falls.

Mrs. Lewis Kennedy and children of Akron are spending the week with her father, J. J. Miller, west of town.

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PELTON FINED

\$10 AND COSTS FOR ASSAULT

When Roger Pelton pleaded guilty to the charge of assault preferred by Lowell Van Rhoden, Mayor C. A. Mitchell, before whom Pelton was arraigned Monday afternoon, imposed a fine of \$10 and costs. Sunday evening Pelton slapped Van Rhoden.

Spring Colds Are Dangerous

Sudden changes of temperature and underwear bring spring colds with stuffed up head, sore throat and general cold symptoms. A dose of Dr. King's New Discovery is sure relief, this happy combination of antiseptic balsams clears the head, soothes the irritated membranes and what might have been a lingering cold is broken up. Don't stop treatment when relief is first felt as a half cured cold is dangerous. Take Dr. King's New Discovery till your cold is gone.

CLASS OF FIVE LEARN TO FLY

MONDAY NIGHT

Kokosing Aerle, No. 760, F. O. E., initiated a class of five candidates at their home on West Vine street Monday evening.

MILFORD

Attractive Items From Western Knox County

Mrs. Robert Bishop is visiting her son, Carl, and family, near Edison.

A number of neighbors and friends called on Miss Sally Ann Hawkins Feb. 22, in honor of her 92nd birthday. The ladies served a fine dinner at the noon hour.

Miss Bessie Scott spent part of last week visiting in Mt. Vernon.

The penny social at the Grange hall last Wednesday evening was well attended. Everything was sold and a nice little sum of money was realized.

Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Mitchell visited in the home of Frank Long in Mt. Vernon last Thursday.

Alonzo Chapman has been sick, but is improving at this time.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Higgins spent Thursday in Mt. Vernon.

Manville Pickering is on the sick list.

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FREDERICKTOWN

News Items From The Metropolis Of Wayne Township

Miss Morna Roby went to Cleveland last Friday to visit Mrs. Foy Herendeen. She was accompanied by little Mary Grace Hull.

The missionary society of the Baptist church met with Mrs. Bunyan Stuber on Thursday of this week.

Mr. Royal Dewitt of Georgia visited with his family here the past week.

Mrs. Isaac Cuenot of Mt. Vernon visited with Fredericktown friends last week.

Mr. Benjamin Rawlins of Mt. Vernon called on Fredericktown friends last Thursday.

The Fredericktown K. of P. Wayne Lodge No. 203, celebrated its 53rd anniversary with a banquet last Friday evening, about 350 being in attendance.

The banquet was held in the new Ewers Bros. hotel block and the following menu served: Roast chicken, dressing, mashed potatoes, baked beans, gravy, bread, butter, pickles, fruit salad, coffee, peaches, cake, and mints.

After the banquet the following program was given at the K. of P. hall: Music, orchestra; piano duet, Ethelyn and Evelyn Tucker; recitation, Martha Shiple; music by orchestra; reading, Lela M. Wilson; vocal solo by Mrs. Mary Dunham; recitation, Miss Olive Kinney; reading, Mr. George Schrack; music by orchestra.

Work on the new residences in Fredericktown is progressing rapidly. The red Brentlinger house now has the roof on; the Walter Barrett house is ready to plaster; the two new bungalows in the Ebersole addition are ready to plaster; John Jones' 8-room flat is ready to plaster; Dan Brown's new bungalow is nearly completed; Ed Dever's place, formerly the George Rinehart place, will be remodeled. He is also planning to build a bungalow on the same lot.

Miss Florence Clark entertained a number of friends at her home on Tuesday evening of last week.

Paul Eppley, the ten-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Chauncey Eppley, north of town, had two fingers blown off by a dynamite cartridge, which he found in the granary of his grandfather.

Mr. John Whitford of Mt. Vernon visited here last Friday.

Mr. Ralph Duke and his mother of Mansfield visited with Fredericktown friends last week.

The F. & A. M. of Fredericktown held their annual banquet at the Masonic hall last Thursday evening.

About 225 guests were present to partake of the good things. Mr. H. E. Clemm and Mr. Charles Edwards gave addresses appropriate to the occasion.

Mrs. John Yoakum of Mt. Vernon, who has been visiting with her sister, Mrs. W. H. Dean, in this place, returned home last Saturday.

Mrs. A. D. Rinehart of Mt. Vernon spent Friday and Saturday last with friends at Fredericktown.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Willard of this place are at Columbus, in attendance at Mt. Carmel hospital where their little daughter, Grace, is recovering from a recent operation.

Mrs. Lizzie Goodwin received word last week that her son, Mr. Guy Goodwin, had died at a hospital in Denver, Colo., where he had gone the week previous.

Mr. Clyde Weaver of Mt. Vernon was here on business last Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Huddle were called to Bremen, O., the first of the week by the illness of the latter's mother, Mrs. Holliday.

Mrs. Lyle Terry and son of Mansfield are here visiting Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Terry and Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Stelmets.

Miss Marie Baker celebrated her 15th birthday with a party on Monday evening. The young couple had a delightful time.

Miss Hazel Hess went to Ankenytown last Saturday to visit with relatives.

Miss Marie Kessling gave a party to a number of her young friends on Tuesday evening, celebrating her 15th birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Lovell attended the U. R. K. of P. dance at Mt. Vernon on Thursday evening of last week.

Miss Laura Brentlinger came over from Columbus to spend the week-end with her parents.

The Daughters of Veterans of this place give their annual banquet on Friday evening of this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Hoy Darling are visiting with relatives in Fredericktown.

Miss Grace Louise Chenoweth of Columbus visited with her grandmother, Mrs. Lizzie Crute, on Saturday and Sunday.

Miss Hazel Kirkpatrick of North Liberty, is caring for Mrs. Ed. Grant, who has been ill for several weeks past.

Robert Harry is working as agent for the B. & O. at New Concord, O.

Mr. and Mrs. John Lewis of Fredericktown visited with Mr. and Mrs. Barton Lewis at Sparta last week.

C. L. Harrod and Harold Mitchell of Sparta were Fredericktown visitors last week.

Mrs. Florence Burson died at her home on the Roscoe Blair farm on Sunday at the age of 36 years, from tuberculosis. She is survived by her husband and three children. The funeral was held on Tuesday and burial at Amity.

Mr. Robert Milton died from bladder trouble on Saturday at his home in Fredericktown. Funeral services were conducted at his home on Monday, Rev. H. M. Noble officiating. Interment at Forest cemetery. He is survived by his wife.

Dr. and Mrs. Kenwell are at Mt. Eaton, O., called there by the illness of the latter's father.

J. Cocanaur visited with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Cocanaur at Newark the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Kirkpatrick of Fredericktown visited with Mr. and Mrs. O. J. Workman last week.

Mrs. Alva Leedy visited at the home of Ober Leedy in Mt. Vernon last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Beal of Mansfield visited with Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Beal last week.

MARTINSBURG

A Batch Of Items From The Clay Township Metropolis

Lee Pumphrey spent the past week in Mt. Vernon.

Mrs. Fred Shrontz and son, Don, have returned from a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Harris of Howard.

Mr. and Mrs. George Melick have returned from a two weeks' honeymoon trip.

Mrs. Semmie McKee is visiting her sister, Mrs. Emma Miser of Mt. Vernon.

Miss Nancy Darling was the charming hostess of the Y. W. Embroidery club Saturday evening. Dainty refreshments were served.

Mrs. J. M. Pumphrey returned to her home in Mt. Vernon Thursday after a pleasant visit with her father and sisters.

The I. O. O. F. lodge gave a banquet Thursday night to their families and some friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Dean Hancock will soon move to Columbus where Mr. Hancock is interested in a wholesale candy store.

James Noffsinger has purchased the Emma McFarland property on South Main street.

Miss Pearl Beauty of near Gambier spent the week-end with her parents.

Those who attended the Toland funeral were: Dr. C. M. Cook of Bowling Green, who delivered the funeral discourse, Mr. and Mrs. William Sirey of Marion, three nephews by the name of Spring from Youngstown, James Lafever and son, Ray, of Newark, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Ewart of Mt. Vernon, Miss Clara Tilton of Cleveland, Lee Bell of Utica, and two daughters, Mrs. Jay Mitchell of Kansas City and Mrs. Jamilla Frye of Butler.

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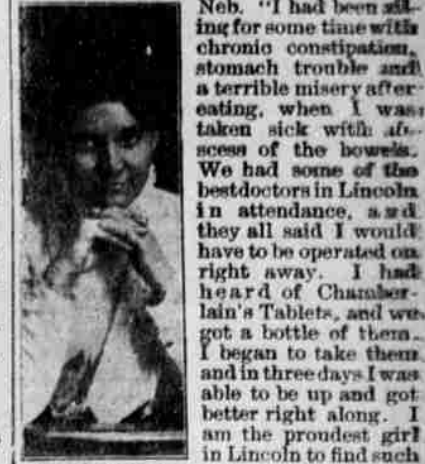
Curtis House Building, Room 11
Public Square

Mrs. Ella Smith returned to her home in Academia Tuesday after being a patient at the M. & S. hospital for several days.

Jasper VanHorn returned to his home in Centerburg Tuesday after spending Monday in this city on business.

Happiest Girl in Lincoln

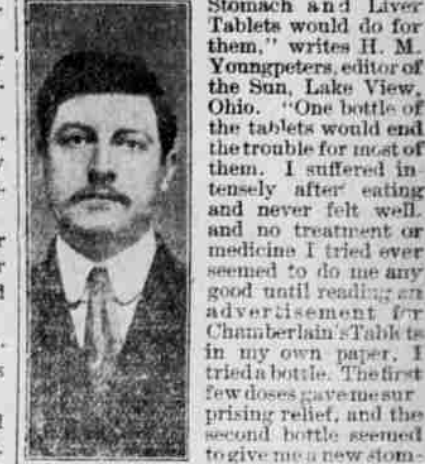
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